3. *Eskazine* :

The manufacture of Eskazine has already been discontinued by the company for quite sometime now.

Though manufacturers of de-controlled drugs are free to revise the prices, Government keeps a close watch and has intervened whenever there has been abnormal price rise.

Sale of Imported Vitamins by IDPL

707. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of PETRO- LEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 664 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th February, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that IDPL sold the imported vitamin B1, Hcl, Vitamin B1 Mono and Vitamin B2 to non-associated formulators;

(b) if so, what was the quantity of each sold and the price at which each was sold;,

(c) what are the names of the other companies to which these vitamins were sold along with the quantity and price charged;

(d) what is the difference of amount between the landed cost of imports of each drug and the price charged;

(e) what was the price fixed for each drug for sale;

(f) whether it is a fact that IDPL is to pay heavy amounts on these drugs into DPEA; and

(g) if so, what is the amount worked out and recovered upto 28th February 1990 along with the details of each drug?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) to (d) As per information furnished by IDPL, the imported drugs sold by it during the last two years were as under:

(In Kgs.)

	1987-88	1988-89
Vitamin B1 Hcl .	15000	..
Vitamin B1 Mono .	5000	..
Vitamin B2 . .	5000	3000

As regard the quantity sold to each company and price charged therefor and the difference between the landed cost of imports of each drug and price charged, the data being voluminous, the time and efforts involved in its collection will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

(e) These drugs are outside the purview of price control under DPCO 1987.

(f) and (g) Do not arise as the item in questions are outside the purview of price control. Moreover under the Drug (Prices Control) Order, 1987, DPEA has been abolished.

Lapses in the Findings of Kelkar Committee

708. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) wheter any omissions and commissions in the findings of the Kelkar Committee have been brought to his notice; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) what steps have been taken to fix responsibility for such omissions and commissions;